

15-Passenger Van Driver Improvement Course

Test



1.) It is a good idea to “ride the brakes” when traveling down a long, steep grade?

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

2.) “Hydroplaning” refers to what?

- ☐ a) Driving your vehicle too fast.
- ☐ b) Turning your vehicle.
- ☐ c) Skidding to a stop.
- ☐ d) Roll-over accident.
- ☐ e) All of the above.
- ☐ f) None of the above.

3.) If your Driver’s License has been revoked, it is still okay to drive an institution owned 15-Passenger Van – as long as you pass the 15-Passenger Van Course?

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

4.) By learning and relying on “Reference Points”, you can:

- ☐ a) Park a 15-Passenger Van easier.
- ☐ b) Drive faster.
- ☐ c) Stop quicker.
- ☐ d) See farther.

5.) By backing a 15-Passenger Van into a parking space, leaving the space actually becomes easier.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

6.) When approaching a red stop light, you should:

- ☐ a) Pump the brakes.
- ☐ b) Speed.
- ☐ c) Time it so when you reach the light it has turned green again.
- ☐ d) Stop 10 yards before the intersection.

7.) When parking on an incline/decline, it is not necessary to apply the parking brake if you shift the transmission into PARK.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

8.) When applying your brakes on a city street, you should:

- ☐ a) Down-shift.
- ☐ b) Turn.
- ☐ c) Honk your horn.
- ☐ d) Check rearview mirror.

9.) You're the driver on a trip back from a swim meet when you notice a stranded motorist. You should:

- ☐ a) Stop and offer them a ride.
- ☐ b) Run them over.
- ☐ c) Laugh Hysterically at them.
- ☐ d) Not offer them a ride.

10.) If you need the extra space, it is OK to tie some items to the top of an institution-owned 15-Passenger Van.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

11.) If, upon returning an institution-owned 15-Passenger Van, you notice that one of the wheels is missing a lug nut, you should:

- ☐ a) Notify Motor-Pool.
- ☐ b) Attempt to replace it.
- ☐ c) Assume the Maintenance Department will find it.
- ☐ d) Remove the tire.

12.) Motor Pool performs a thorough Preventive Maintenance Inspection on every van after every trip.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

13.) Vehicle momentum can increase the chance of rolling a 15-Passenger Van when cornering.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

14.) A fully loaded 15-Passenger Van is __ times more likely to roll than an empty one:

- ☐ a) 6-times.
- ☐ b) 3-times.
- ☐ c) 10-times.
- ☐ d) 2-times.

15.) Driving at night does not increase your chances of being involved in an accident.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

16.) Per State Law, driving an institution-owned 15-Passenger Van at night is prohibited.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

17.) The Center-of-Gravity of a fully loaded 15-Passenger Van is higher than an empty one.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

18.) 15-Passenger Vans:

- ☐ a) Take longer to stop than regular vehicles.
- ☐ b) Are lighter than regular vehicles.
- ☐ c) Are shorter than regular vehicles.
- ☐ d) Are lower than regular vehicles

19.) You (the authorized driver) are not responsible for the safety of your passengers.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

20.) In the following photo the cones represent which of the following?



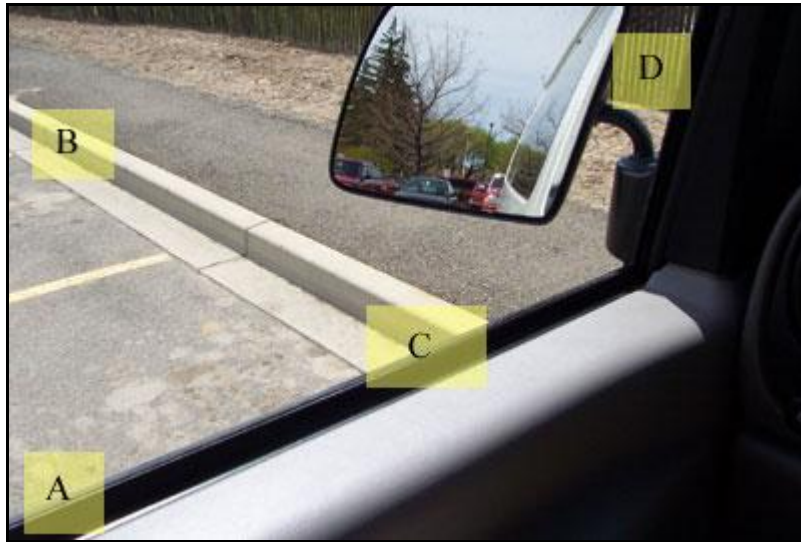
- ☐ a) Driver's reference points.
- ☐ b) First point at which the driver can see the pavement.
- ☐ c) Safety Zone.
- ☐ d) Potential hazards.

21.) Identify the potential hazards within your Line-of-Sight/Path-of-Travel in the following photo:



- ☐ a) Approaching vehicles, escaping chimps, intersection, bicyclist, stop sign.
- ☐ b) Intersection, crosswalks, bicyclist, approaching vehicles, stop sign.
- ☐ c) Bicyclist, trees, crosswalks, stop sign, intersection.
- ☐ d) Crosswalks, intersection, library, bicyclist, approaching vehicle.

22.) Identify the correct reference point in the first photo below. The second photo shows the "park job" that the correct reference point will give you.



- ☐ a) A
- ☐ b) B
- ☐ c) C
- ☐ d) D

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- ☐ a) A
- ☐ b) B
- ☐ c) C
- ☐ d) D

24.) If during travel, one of your passengers removes his/her safety belt, you should:

- ☐ a) Continue driving until you reach a rest stop.
- ☐ b) Instruct the passenger to refasten the belt (stop the vehicle if they do not comply).
- ☐ c) Do nothing.
- ☐ d) Call your advisor/supervisor.

25.) It is necessary to conduct a pre-operation safety check before leaving on a trip.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

26.) What "changes" with a fully loaded 15-passenger van?

- ☐ a) The "combined center-of-gravity".
- ☐ b) The chance of a rollover.
- ☐ c) Driver visibility.
- ☐ d) All of the above.

27.) 15-passenger vans will "drive" and react similarly to a standard passenger vehicle.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

28.) Many 15-passenger van accidents are caused by "overcorrecting."

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

29.) Bringing a cellular phone along with you on a trip (when driving a 15-passenger van) is prohibited.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

30.) During the pre-operation check, you notice that the rear tire on the passenger's side is low on air. You should:

- ☐ a) Call the police.
- ☐ b) Call a tow-truck.
- ☐ c) Take it to the nearest service station.
- ☐ d) Ignore it.

31.) Every night trip involving the use of 15-passenger vans requires the following when transporting passengers:

- ☐ a) Pre-operation check.
- ☐ b) A "shot-gun" rider.
- ☐ c) An authorized driver.
- ☐ d) All of the above.

32.) During travel (you're the driver), you receive an incoming call on your cellular phone. You should:

- ☐ a) Answer the call.
- ☐ b) Have someone else answer the call or pull over to answer it.
- ☐ c) Ignore the call.
- ☐ d) Turn the phone off.
- ☐ e) Either B or C.
- ☐ f) Either A or D.

33.) It is not important to "distribute" the cargo in a 15-passenger van.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

34.) If you become tired while driving an institution-owned 15-passenger van, you should:

- ☐ a) Allow one of your passengers to drive.
- ☐ b) Keep driving.
- ☐ c) Stop at a rest-stop/get coffee.
- ☐ d) Fall asleep at the wheel.

35.) 15-passenger vans are dangerous no matter how you operate them.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

36.) 15-passenger vans are involved in more accidents than other passenger vehicles.

- ☐ a) True.
- ☐ b) False.

37.) When traveling down a long downhill stretch, you should:

- ☐ a) Down-shift.
- ☐ b) Hold your foot on the brakes.
- ☐ c) Not use the brakes.
- ☐ d) All of the above.

38.) When traveling on icy roads with only 3 passengers, you should:

- ☐ a) Seat the passengers over the rear axles.
- ☐ b) Not require seatbelts.
- ☐ c) Drive faster.
- ☐ d) Call the police.